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REMINDER:
DIGITAL TELEVISION TRANSITION OCCURS ON
FEBRUARY 17TH

---NEWS RELEASE---

(February 2, 2009)--- The City of Hartford is once again reminding residents that television is officially going digital on February 17! There is no delay! To provide information to make this transition as easy as possible, the City of Hartford is airing public service announcements on Government Cable Access TV, Channel 96 and posting information and links on its webpage www.hartford.gov, (in English and in Spanish).

The Federal Government is making the change from analog to digital to improve public safety. The transition to digital will help police, fire, and other public safety departments to communicate more easily with each other during emergencies. For you, the consumer, you will receive a better picture and sound quality, as well as more programming choices.

If your TVs are hooked up to cable or satellite, you will still be able to watch your favorite shows after the switch. You are asked to check with your local cable or satellite provider to make sure. If your televisions are more than 10-years old, they are probably not digital. If you use a roof top antenna or "rabbit ears" you will not be able to get a signal after February 17th unless you get a converter box.

For more information about the digital transition, call toll free 1-888-225-5322 or go to www.dtv.gov.